



Book	Policy Manual
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Public Participation at Board Meetings

All meetings of the Board and Board-appointed committees are open to the public.

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of Board members present.

Persons wishing to address the Board shall submit a formal request that includes their name, address, and the topic they desire to present before the Board. Each person addressing the Board shall give their name. Each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda.

Board members may ask questions of the speaker for information or clarification and may or may not make comments in response to a speaker's remarks. No Board member has the power or authority to act for the Board; therefore, no response from an individual Board member shall be interpreted as an official action of the Board. Portions of the Board meeting are digitally recorded.

Agendas are available to all those who attend Board meetings. The section on the agenda for public participation shall be indicated. A short paragraph outlining the Board's policy on public participation at Board meetings will be available at each Board meeting.

Legal [ORC 121.22](#)
[ORC 3313.20](#)

Cross References [BCE - Board Committees](#)
[BD - School Board Meetings](#)
[BDDB - Agenda Format](#)
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[BG \(Also GBD\) - Board-Staff Communications](#)
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